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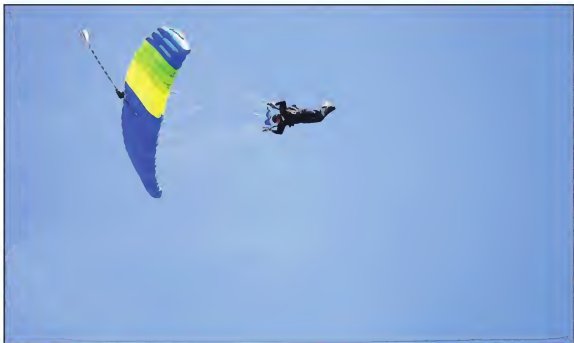
# Look up ... way, way up

SARAH FERGUSON  
PelhamNews Staff

Take note of Pelham's skies — they will soon be filled with thrill-seekers.

That's because Niagara Skydive Centre moved into Hangar 1 at Niagara Central Airport two weeks ago and is preparing for the skydiving season that begins in April.

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DAVE JOHNSON Staff Photo

Niagara Skydive Centre has moved into its new home in Hangar 1 at Niagara Central Airport and is setting up for the skydiving season which will begin next month. It had been located at the airport in Dunnville, where this file photo was taken.

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■ **CYCLING:** Former Olympian lends support

## New award backed by Bauer

SARAH FERGUSON  
PelhamNews Staff

When he thinks about what it was like living in Pelham, cyclist Steve Bauer will tell you the town nestled in the middle of the peninsula is a great place for cycling.

Bauer is a former professional road bicycle racer, an Olympic medalist, and winner of several professional races. He was also the first Canadian to medal in the Olympics in road cycling.

Though retired from the professional circuits, Bauer continues to cycle and rolled into Pelham town hall last Thursday to support the town's application for the Bicycle Friendly Communities designation — an award recognizing communities that actively support bicycling.

The Pelham Active Transportation committee formed a 10-member working group that is evaluating criteria set out by the program as part of an application process which must be completed by the end of April.

The criteria included in the application looks at engineering, cycling, education, encouraging cyclists to ride, law enforcement to keep motorists and cyclists safe, as well as evaluation and planning which includes developing and identifying trail systems, bike racks and making



SARAH FERGUSON Staff Photo

Steve Bauer (centre) stopped by Pelham Town Hall Thursday to support the town's application to be recognized as a bicycle friendly community and speak with the Pelham Active Transportation Committee. Pictured from left to right is Mayor Dave Augustyn, and committee members, Ken Forgeron, Pelham recreation, culture and wellness co-ordinator Jessica Ruddell, Dave Hunt, Rob Visser and Bea Clark.

sure cyclists know where they are welcome.

"It's such a boost to have Steve Bauer to endorse the application," said Pelham Active Transportation committee member Bea Clark.

"He is the face of cycling in Pelham and they're very mean-

ingful to have his support."

Bauer said cycling is his life and it's important to support communities that promote cycling.

And having spent his childhood riding on back roads and the terrain of Pelham, Bauer said the community is certainly bike friendly—the

designation would help to make people more aware of that fact.

For more information about the BFC program visit [www.sharetheroad.ca](http://www.sharetheroad.ca).

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■ **DIVERS**

## Centre moving from Dunnville

FROM PAGE 1

Pelham Ward 1 Coun. Richard Rybiak, a member of the Niagara Central Airport commission, announced in town council chambers last Monday night that the skydiving centre has moved from its home in Dunnville.

Niagara Skydive Centre opened in 2002 and employs about 25 people who are trained in accordance with rules and regulations of the Canadian Sport Parachuting Association.

The skydiving centre was operating in the privately-owned Dunnville airport but was forced to find a new home when the owners allowed land to be contracted to a company that has started assembling windmills.

The change in location is good news for Pelham and the rest of south Niagara, Rybiak said.

"The airport is going to be busier than it's ever been since it was first used as a training base in the Second World War," Rybiak told *The Tribune* Tuesday.

He said the River Rd. skydiving centre will annually bring about 10,000 visitors to south Niagara.

"In Dunnville, the Niagara Skydive Centre received a commendation for 10,000 visitors that came to the area," he noted.

The councillor said the

## SKYDIVE CENTRE

■ It has operated at the Dunnville Airport for 11 years.

■ About 62,289 jumps have been made in Dunnville and 7,722 first-time jumpers have been trained.

■ The skydiving centre is independently owned by Tim Grech.

■ The centre employs 20 to 25 people from May until December.

■ The centre operates a Navajo Pa31-325 and a Cessna 205.

■ The centre is a Canadian Sport Parachuting Association Member and United States Parachuting Association Member.

skydiving centre will add 400 to 500 extra flights a year to Niagara Central Airport traffic. Factor in many tandem jumps that will take place and south Niagara will see a boost to its economy, Rybiak said.

Rybiak added that the airport will offer additional activities such as a flight training school over the coming months.

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■ EGG HUNTING: 9th Eggstravaganza this weekend

## Egg-cellent time planned for Pelham

SARAH FERGUSON  
PelhamNews Staff

Hundreds of children are sure to have an egg-cellent time at Marlene Stewart Streit Park.

Anticipation is growing for when the whistle blows, signaling to children it's time to scour the foothill park for chocolate and attempt to find a golden egg to win a special prize.

Town recreation, culture and wellness planner Halseo Lymburner said preparations for the ninth Eggstravaganza are well underway. The event will feature a visit from the Easter Bunny, as well as a barbecue hosted by Enbridge.

In exchange for donations to the Isaac Riehl Skate Park, families can enjoy hotdogs and hamburgers, Lymburner

## EGG HUNT

**What:** 9th  
EGGstravaganza

**When:** Saturday, March  
30 at 11 a.m.

**Where:** Marlene Stewart  
Streit Park

said.

There will also be plenty of Easter Bunny balloons donated by Presentations for kids who find special eggs, she added.

The hunt will take place rain or shine.

"Last year, it was so packed. We had well over 300 kids. We would expect at least that amount to attend this year, if not more."

The search for tasty chocolate egg treats will begin at 11 a.m. after egg-hunters are divided into different age groups, from 12-year-olds and under, to search in different sections of the park, she said.

"It's an opportunity for kids to celebrate Easter together and all of the fun that goes with it."

Families planning on bringing the kids to the egg hunt are reminded to bring

their own baskets.

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## ■ CONTEST

## Celebrate Easter with a stylish bicycle



SARAH FERGUSON Staff Photo

Two-year-old Jack Michael takes a ride on his tricycle he decorated just in time for the Bling Your Bicycle Easter contest this Saturday following the EGGstravaganza hunt at Marlene Stewart Streit Park in Pelham.

SARAH FERGUSON  
PelhamNews Staff

After searching for chocolate eggs to fill their baskets, kids can show off their decorated bicycles.

Following the EGGstravaganza Easter egg hunt at Marlene Stewart Streit Park, Danny's Bicycle Repair will host an Easter Bling Your Bike Contest, on Saturday, March 30.

"We want to show kids that bikes are more than just a healthy and environmentally friendly mode of transportation," bicycle shop owner Dan Paris said.

"More than anything else, bikes are fun. We're happy to do anything we can to encourage kids to get outdoors on their bicycles."

The bike store owner said a similar contest was held last summer at the Pelham Canada Day celebrations and it was enjoyable for children and their parents.

"This year we decided to hold the contest at the Easter egg hunt because it ties in nicely with Pelham's ongoing cycling initiatives and the construction of the new skatepark in memory of Isaac Riehl," he said.

Kids 12 and under are encouraged to dust off their bicycles, take them out of the garage and decorate them with Easter-themed items including ribbons and streamers.

"The entrants are encouraged to use their imagination, the more creative the better. Have fun with it. There is no mandatory theme. You can make your bike look like a robot, puppy or a bunch of grapes," said Paris.

Entries can be dropped off at the Danny's Bicycle Repair rent for judging before the egg hunt begins at

11 a.m. Winners will be chosen based on the creativity they put into their bikes, Paris said.

The first place winner will receive a gift certificate for a bicycle tune-up from Danny's Bicycle Repair and an artisan chocolate bunny from Sweet Thoughts in Ridgeville.

Second and Third place entries will receive chocolate treats from Sweet Thoughts. Prizes will be awarded immediately following the egg hunt.

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## Join in the on-line conversation

The newspaper industry is quickly changing. It's sad to say but many people don't pick up a hard copy of a newspaper that often anymore to read the news.

I'm a fan of reading news the old-fashioned way—the way my parents, and my grandparents still read the news.

Over a morning cup of tea, or after dinner, there's nothing I like more than opening a newspaper to learn about what's happening at council meetings, to read human interest stories in the community, and even check on sports stats.

What I really love to do, I must admit, is turn to the comics page to check up on the old Peanut Gang, Garfield, the lasagna-eating cat, still cracks me up every time.

After I read the "funnies," I am usually left grumbling as I try to figure out the answers to the daily crossword puzzle—I can never answer them all. Then it's time to check out my horoscope—a silly ritual I've come to enjoy.

There's nothing better than the feel of a newspaper in my hands and the ink stains of my fingers.

It's an experience everyone should enjoy and appreciate.

But, I also work in a newsroom during the work day, and like many people, most of my daily news comes from online sources.

Reading news online is quicker than waiting for the print version to arrive—it's also convenient.

And the best part of reading news online is that it can be interactive.

Readers already know about the Pelham News' web site at [www.pelhamnews.ca](http://www.pelhamnews.ca), but the newspaper you read faithfully every week is now part of the social media network Facebook.

There you can read stories as they are written and you can write comments, share your own news stories and become part of the conversation.

Visit [www.facebook.com/PelhamNews](http://www.facebook.com/PelhamNews) and like the Pelham News Facebook to leave comments and engage with other readers.

I'll also be tweeting stories and events happening in Pelham and south Niagara from my twitter account. Twitter users can follow me at [aferguson25](https://twitter.com/aferguson25).

If the phone is your preferred method of contact, feel free to drop me a line at 905-732-2411 ext 231.

Whether your comments are good, or bad, I'd love to hear what you, the reader, has to say.

— Sarah Ferguson  
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## comment

### ■ COLUMN

## Recreational and cultural executive summary leads to action

Last week, I wrote that "...because it's been discussed and desired for many, many years, council recently approved the development of a business case for community recreational facilities."

Some people asked me to identify what prompted these actions and, others, what is intended by them.

In November 2012, council asked staff to develop an executive summary of the recreational and cultural reports that various councils have received over the years. Why? As part of a creative problem solving educational session, council identified reasons for such a report:

Council is interested in the best way of developing the town-owned-lands in East Fonthill (32 acres at Regional Rd. 20 and Rice Rd.) in conjunction with other property-owner groups;

Council wants to define the



**DAVE AUGUSTYN**

MAYORAL VIEW

recreational and cultural services the town needs now and into the future;

Council wants to stay focused on deciding what to do with Town facilities and those town-owned-lands.

On Dec. 3 2012, staff presented an outline of the relevant reports from 1990. The brief summarizes four consultant reports – from 1990, 2001, 2008, 2010 – and three staff reports – one from 2000, two from 2010.

The executive summary's conclusion states, "It is clear that there has been considerable study and work conducted

in an attempt to determine the recreational and cultural needs of the community. Although details differ (twin pad arena vs. community centre) it is abundantly clear that since 1990 the community has consistently voiced a need and desire for a new twin pad arena, new pool facilities and a community wellness centre."

Since I do not have enough room here to summarize the executive summary, I encourage you to read the eight-page document yourself; please ask for it from the town clerk's Office or download it at [www.pelham-mayordave.blogspot.com](http://www.pelham-mayordave.blogspot.com).

What did council do after receiving the report?

First, council directed staff to work together with the other landowner developing along Regional Rd. 20; he owns 42 acres of mostly commercial lands and hopes to begin the first-phases of construction in

2014.

Second, while the community "has consistently voiced a need and desire" for recreational and cultural facilities, the town has yet to test the business case; therefore, council directed staff to develop a "business case for community recreational facilities."

Finally, since there have been many discussions about the value of the Town-owned lands over the years, Council directed staff to get an appraisal on the property.

You and your neighbours will be invited to be part of further recreation and cultural discussions and decisions for Pelham in the coming weeks and months.

You may contact Mayor Dave Augustyn at [mayordave@pelham.ca](mailto:mayordave@pelham.ca) or read past columns at [www.pelhammayordave.blogspot.com](http://www.pelhammayordave.blogspot.com).

### ■ COLUMN

## Home sales off to brisk start

Residential home sales in Pelham are off to a brisk start this year.

Unit sales in January and February were up 50% above last year's level.

According to the MLS statistics of the Niagara Association of Realtors there

were 24 residential sales reported in Pelham during January and February of this year compared to the same months in 2012.

The average days on the market for the homes that sold shifted to 55 days a significantly faster pace than the average of 91 days a year ago.

Sales of higher end inventory are once again on the rise skewing the local monthly average sale price to a much higher level than recorded last



**CATHY BERKHOUT-BOSSE**

REAL ESTATE VIEW

year. At \$326,942, the average sale price of the homes that sold during January and February increased a whopping 22% over the average sale price of \$268,479 reported during the same months in 2012.

The February 12-month average price in Pelham stands at \$325,227 up 1.2% over last year's figure of \$321,294. Our local Pelham market activity outpaced Niagara. As of the end of February the region wide sales total of

745 units - reflecting an 11% drop from last year's level of 839 transactions. Niagara's 12-month average price is still on the rise. Currently at \$242,233 the 12-month average price in Niagara represents a gain of 3.6% over last February's tally of \$233,875.

Year-to-date results in our neighbouring City of Welland are trailing 2012 activity levels by 22% with 79 homes sold so far this year compared to 105 last year. The Kew City's 12-month average price of \$185,024 is up marginally from the total of \$183,496 recorded in February 2012.

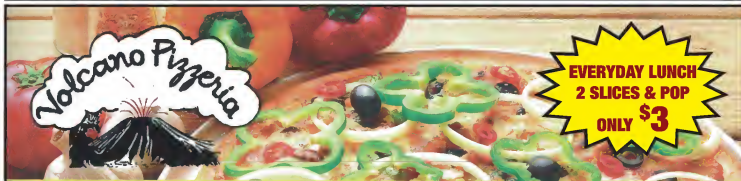
Although the overall sales volume across the Region is lagging behind last year, listing inventory levels are also trending down. The net effect of

reduced supply is maintaining a healthy level of steady price growth in our local housing market.

Cathy Berkhout-Bosse is a Real Estate Broker and Communications Strategist living in Pelham. You may read past columns at [www.NiagaraRealtySourceReport.com](http://www.NiagaraRealtySourceReport.com).

## correction

Last week's column written by Cathy Berkhout-Bosse appeared incorrectly. The correct version is featured in this week's paper. The Pelham News regrets the error.



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busy behind the scenes putting systems in place so that things will run smoothly when their company begins to ferry passengers in the lower Niagara River to the base of the Horseshoe Falls.

"There's about six administrative management positions that we are actively recruiting for right away," said Melo, the company's senior human resources manager. Anyone looking for employment opportunities or who wants to know more about the company should visit [www.niagaracruises.com](http://www.niagaracruises.com).

Melo said the company will need about 120 people.

## Fun on the farm



SARAH FERGUSON Staff Photo

The junior and senior kindergarten classes from St. Ann School in Fenwick visited the St. John's Outdoor Education Centre Thursday to participate in the Lambs program. There they learned about the care for lambs, how wool is made and they were able to see and touch lambs. Pictured is Keira Munro who was all smiles when she saw a lamb at the centre.



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The proposed by-law will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting at the Municipal Council Chambers in the Town of Pelham, Monday, April 15th, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. Council will hear in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his/her land will be prejudicially affected. A copy of the preliminary plan and by-law may be viewed at the Office of the Clerk during normal office hours - Monday to Friday - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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## Adults Living with ADHD

Robert Cooper, a not so typical ADHD adult, has had a varied career, ranging from entrepreneur to personal photographer for former Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau. Diagnosed in 1958, he developed a passion to

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## Clothing Sale

Mon. April 15th - Sat. April 13th  
All styles and sizes of clothing for men, women and children being accepted.

## Managing Hip or Knee Joint Pain

For individuals with arthritis of hip and knee joints, strategies will be discussed on how to manage pain and mobility issues. We will discuss a program that helps with assessment and with navigating the health care system. Free. Register ahead. April 16 at 2 p.m. Pelham Public Library.

## Giller Prize Winner Elizabeth Hay

Scotiabank Giller Prize Winner for Late Nights on Air; Giller Finalist for A Student of Weather; Governor General's Award Finalist for Both Garbo and A Student of Weather; Finalist for Rogers Writers' Trust Fiction Prize for both A Student of Weather and Small Change. Elizabeth is the recipient of the prestigious Marian Engel Award. In 2012 a plaque was unveiled in Ottawa for Garbo Laureate as part of Project Bookmark Canada. Wed. April 17 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$10. Please purchase ahead. We acknowledge the support of the Canada Council for the Arts, which last year invested \$154K toward bringing the arts to Canadians throughout the country. Pelham Public Library.

## Knitting

## Knit Wits - Knitting Club

Work on your present project while spending time with other knitters. All levels are welcome. Crocheters welcome. Knitting tips will be shared at each session. Fridays from 1-3. Begins Jan. 4. \$2.00 includes refreshments. Drop in.

## Meditation Morning

Maria leads you through different types of meditations for stress relief and growth. Great for beginners and those who have meditated before. For fun, learn what the symbols from your creative visualization mean. Bring a pen and notebook. \$3.00. Please register ahead. Sat. Feb 9 & Mar 2. 9:30-11:30 am.

## Drop-in Bridge

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## Monthly Hearing Clinic

Cornet Hearing will be here at the Fonthill Branch giving free hearing screenings. They will be able to answer any questions about various hearing issues. Free but please schedule your appointment at: 905-862-8066. Apr. 22 10:00am - 1:00pm

## GENERAL INFORMATION

## Fenwick's 160th Anniversary Celebration

Orders are now being taken for bows & swags to decorate your home or

business for this special event. Order forms are available at the Municipal Offices, 20 Pelham Town Square, on-line at [www.pelham.ca](http://www.pelham.ca) or call Gary & Rosemary Chambers at 905-862-2548.

## Summerfest 2013

It's never too early to start thinking about Pelham's summer fun festival! Check out the updates at [www.pelhamsummerfest.ca](http://www.pelhamsummerfest.ca). Art show, vendor and sponsorship applications are now available on-line.

## \*\*Town of Pelham - RESERVE CROSSING GUARDS\*\*

There is an immediate need for reserve school crosswalk guards to relieve the regular guards during periods of illness and vacation. The position has an hourly pay rate of \$12.88 per hour. Persons interested in becoming a reserve school crosswalk guard can pick up an application form in the Recreation, Culture & Wellness Department (20 Pelham Town Square).

## Overnight Parking

Planes be reminded By-Law No. 89-2000 as amended by By-Law 4266(2005) prohibits parking on all roads and streets in the Town of Pelham, except Church Hill from 2:00am to 6:00am from November 1 to March 31.

## Removal of Snow and Ice From Sidewalks

Planes be reminded By-Law No. 3164 (2011) requires that, after the effective end of any winter precipitation event, the owner or occupant of every occupied building and the owner of every vacant building and the owner of every parcel of vacant land, shall clear away and remove, or cause to be cleared away and removed, snow and ice from the sidewalk to a clear condition within twenty-four (24) hours. Please take steps to ensure that you are in compliance with the by-law.

## Interested in Joining the Communities in Bloom Committee?

The Communities in Bloom Committee is a Town Committee dedicated to keeping Pelham beautiful. The Committee is responsible for planning events such as Pelham's Annual Garden Tour and Community Planting Day in the Fall and Spring.

To become part of this committee or for further information please contact the Recreation, Culture & Wellness Coordinator (905) 862-2607 ext 341.

## Is your business interested in being listed in the Town of Pelham's Recreation, Culture &amp; Wellness Guide?

If so, please be sure to fill out a Business directory information card with the Town of Pelham. For an information card, please visit Town Hall, 20 Pelham Town Square - 1st Floor, or contact 905-862-2607, Ext. 315

## Interested in renting the Ice? Arena Hall? Old Pelham Town Hall?

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## IMPORTANT TO DOG OWNERS

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## ■ COMMUNITY

# Inspiring youth to help the community

SARAH FERGUSON  
PelhamNews Staff

One child's idea can make a difference in south Niagara.

That's why Andrew Marando, a resident of Fonthill, is challenging youth ages nine to 18 to make a difference in their respective communities. Marando has launched the newly created Community Kid All-Stars—a non-profit organization developed to help build young community leaders.

"What we're trying to do is to get kids excited about community service," Marando said.

Youth from Pelham, Welland, Wainfleet and Port Colborne are encouraged by Marando to go online and visit the

Community Kid All-Stars website at [www.communitykidallstars.com](http://www.communitykidallstars.com) to fill out an application and submit an idea to make a positive change in the community.

Participants must write 500 words or less about what they plan to do if their idea wins the top prize.

Up to \$2,500 will be awarded to the person with the best idea to see it become reality. The deadline to apply is May 8.

The first-place winner will be notified that he or she will receive the funding to carry out their idea the same week of the deadline.

Marando said Community Kid All-Stars is looking for ideas that have a positive impact on the community. Ideas to improve the community can be anything from help-

ing the environment by planting trees or starting an after-school education program to help children in need.

A panel of judges which includes teachers from the Catholic and public school boards will select the winning applicant from the top five entries.

Marando began the organization this year with his long-time friend Derek Levy to inspire children and youth to be involved in the community.

"I have read about all these kids who have done these amazing things," Marando said, noting local youth who rallied together to see the Isaac Riehl Skate Park become reality.

Because of their efforts, the skatepark will be built in Harold Black park in memory of Isaac Riehl, who died last October after he was struck by a car while longboarding on Foss Rd.

Seeing children become involved in the community is "contagious," said Marando, adding that when children see others

do good, they will want to help too.

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SARAH FERGUSON Staff Photo

Derek Levy, left, and Andrew Marando have launched Community Kid All-Stars, which is a non-profit organization developed to help promote and build young community leaders. The program will award one youth up to \$2,500 to make positive change in his or her community.

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## Tea served with Pelham heritage

Tea enthusiasts are needed to help plan a heritage celebration.

The Queen Elizabeth's Diamond Jubilee Royal Garden Party held at Pelham Peace Park in Fonthill was such a success that the town hopes to continue the tradition with another tea event, this one June 29, said recreation, culture and wellness co-ordinator Jessica Ruddell.

"The Queen's Jubilee Tea was such a success that we decided to continue with the momentum," Ruddell said about last year's tea which attracted about 100 people.

The town has put a call out to resi-

dents who would like to join a volunteer committee to plan this year's heritage tea celebration.

"We encourage people to sign up as soon as possible because the event takes a lot of effort and time to plan," Ruddell said.

People can call Ruddell at 905-892-2607 ext. 341 or send an e-mail to [jrudell@pelham.ca](mailto:jrudell@pelham.ca).

Ruddell said she hopes to see the tea celebration become an annual event in Pelham as a way to honour local history.

"You can't know where you're going if you don't know where you've been," Ruddell said.

### ■ MONEY MATTERS

## Deficit shortens library hours

SARAH FERGUSON  
PelhamNews Staff

Users of the financially troubled Pelham Public Library should take note of a reduction in hours at both Fonthill and Maple Acre branches.

Ward 2 Coun. Gary Accursi, a member of the library board, said hours have been reduced to keep staffing costs in line.

Since Saturday, March 2, the Fonthill branch is now open at 10 a.m. Starting March 30, the Fenwick branch will be closed on Saturdays.

Beginning Friday, April 5, both branches will close at 5 p.m. on Fridays.

Although he couldn't provide dollar

figures, Accursi told *The Tribune* Monday night that the library had been operating a deficit last year.

One way to combat the deficit problem was to reduce staff hours to cut costs.

"I'm sure it wasn't pleasant news to staff or library users," Accursi said, about the reduction in hours.

But, the changes were made to deal with the "fiscal realities" Pelham Public Library is facing.

"The library board is being responsible by making every effort to improve the sustainability of library services in the community," he said.

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### ■ SOCIAL MEDIA

## Niagara Regional Police join Twitter marathon

JEFF BOLICHOWSKI  
QMI Agency Niagara

Did you know Niagara Regional Police answered 118,285 calls in 2012?

How about that there were more than 50 uniformed cops patrolling Niagara last Friday afternoon?

Those are some of the facts the police force divulged in 140 characters or less as the NRP joined a worldwide police Tweet-a-thon. Local cops joined police forces around the globe sending out their messages across

social media.

Most of the NRP's Tweets focused on factoids. They let Twitter followers know they cover about 1,850 square kilometres across 12 municipalities, advise motorists to leave a bigger gap between cars and slow down when driving at night or in rotten weather.

Their Tweets could be found on account @NiaRegPolice or by sifting through hashtag #polwtw, which was flooded with Tweets from a range of police agencies by last Friday evening.

## IN BRIEF

## TAXES FOR LIONS SIGN

Fonthill Lions Club has requested \$6,500 from the town to erect a new digital sign on the club's Hwy. 20 property.

The sign costs \$12,900, including installation.

According to the service organization, the town could benefit from the sign for promoting functions such as Canada Day activities, Summerfest, the Mayor's Gala and spring and fall cleanup. Town staff will consider the request.

## MOMENT OF SILENCE

A moment of silence was held in Pelham council chambers last Monday night in honour of Ronald Secord, who served as alderman in 1981-82. He died on March 11 at age 94.

A bronze plaque will be erected in the council chambers in Secord's name. It will hang beside other

members of council who have died.

## KEEP CARP OUT

Along with Port Colborne, the Town of Pelham has agreed to support the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative from Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett.

The initiative aims to keep Asian carp out of the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence

River. The resolution calls for relevant Canadian and U.S. agencies to work together to solve the problem.

## MAYOR TRAINED

Town staff, Mayor Dave Augustyn and several councillors attended a five-day training session to learn strategies for improving council decision making, problem solving

and improving customer service.

They will host a special meeting so participants can present their work to fellow councillors and other town staff.

The end result of the workshop is to identify ways to improve decision making and how to better serve the community.

## BIRD WATCHING

## Birds of prey strut their stuff

GRIMSBY — Spend Good Friday scanning the skies for birds of prey including eagles, hawks, falcons and vultures, or see live ones on display at Beamer Memorial Conservation Area in Grimsby during the 38th annual Hawkwatch.

The annual Good Friday open house, put on by Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority, offers great views of birds of prey that include bald eagles, golden eagles, Peregrine falcons and thirteen other species travelling from South and Central America, the Caribbean and the United States to nesting territories in Canada.


Last year brought an unusual visit by a Mississippi Kite, a southern species that's rarely seen in Ontario.

The open house runs from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and will feature live hawk demonstrations, talks on the hawk migration, a children's program and nature club displays.

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## GLOBAL AID

## Pennies help developing countries

VICTORIA GRAY  
Tribune Staff

WELLAND — A penny saved is a penny Jeannette Andrea MacGregor's kindergarten class knows can help a child live a better life.

MacGregor's 21 junior and senior kindergarten students, some dressed as Brinks guards, walked from Fitch Street Public School pushing and pulling a wagon with all their might across the Fitch Street Plaza parking lot on Monday morning to deliver \$475 in pennies to CIBC.

"With pennies going out of style it seemed like it was time to bring them in," MacGregor said.

For just more than five years, she and her students have collected the coins to donate to the new website for Sleeping Children Around the World.

## ■ BRANDING: Town addressing an image problem?

## Chimpanzee to create Pelham logo, website

SARAH FERGUSON  
PelhamNews Staff

PELHAM — Pelhamites already know the community in which they live is rich with historical significance and beauty.

But how do others outside of Pelham perceive the town?

That's exactly the question the Town of Pelham hopes to answer

by the end of the year.

Last Monday night, councillors approved a town branding project. Chimpanzee, a Niagara-based company, has been hired to undertake the exercise.

"I think it's excellent we're moving ahead with this in terms of economic development," Ward 2 Coun. Gary Accursi said.

About \$50,000 has

“For any branding of a community, one has to involve as many people as possible.”

Dave Augustyn, mayor

been set aside in the town's 2013 capital budget to complete the branding process and other projects. Chimpanzee will design a new brand for the Town of Pelham for \$20,800. Chimpanzee will research and identify common themes, unique community events, and heritage and culture in Pelham to develop a colour

pallet and logo as part of a signature brand for the town.

Mayor Dave Augustyn said the key element to developing a brand for Pelham is the involvement of the community.

"For any branding of a community, one has to involve as many people as possible," he said.

Market and communications officer Ana McKnight has been hired

on to oversee the project, as well as the development of the town's new website, which will also be constructed by Chimpanzee.

Chief administrative officer Darren Ottaway said he expects to see cost savings from employing the company to do both the new website and brand creation.

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■ **HEALTH CARE:** More than 200 patients moved in about six hours

# Historic move goes smoothly



**JULIE JOCSAK** QMI Agency Niagara  
Ambulances line up to drop off patients at the new hospital, in St. Catharines, which opened Sunday morning.

**GRANT LAFLECHE**  
QMI Agency Niagara

ST. CATHARINES — When it was finally over, when the last patient had been moved, when the doors of the old hospital were closed for good, when the new one was humming with activity, Gloria Kain was at a loss for words.

"Well, I am pleased to report there is nothing to report," said Kain, the outgoing Niagara Health System chief planning officer who led the new hospital project for years. "Everything went smoothly."

Six hours after it began Sunday morning, 222 patients had been transferred from three hospitals to the new facility on Fourth Ave. Although the NHS prepared for a variety of scenarios, trying to anticipate what could go wrong during the historic move, the carefully crafted contingency plans weren't needed.

"We have some minor issues, like needing more blankets for patients when they arrived. Things like that,"



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Gloria Kain, hospital official

Kain said. "When those things cropped up, we literally had hundreds of people working to deal with it. There were no major issues at all."

In fact, by noon, the transfer was ahead of schedule and the NHS slowed the pace down to keep things running well.

The transfer began at 6 a.m. with mental health patients from the St. Catharines General Hospital, along with those at the Niagara Falls and Welland

hospitals, being moved to the new facility.

By around 7:30 a.m., the NHS started moving the rest of the patients from the general hospital to the new hospital.

The St. Catharines General Hospital's emergency room was closed at 6 a.m. at the same time the new one opened on Fourth Ave. The NHS reported the first ER patient arrived at the new ER at 6:00 a.m. The first CAT scan on an ER patient was performed by 8 a.m.

There were two other historic firsts Sunday morning.

At 7:41 a.m., a baby girl was born at the St. Catharines General, becoming the last child to be born there. Then, at 11:45 a.m., the first baby, a boy, was born at the new hospital.

Wives of ambulances, vans and other patient-transfer vehicles shuttled back and forth between the hospitals. Patients had NHS personnel with them during the trip, and were greeted by staff at the new hospital who moved them to their new rooms.

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## ■ HOSPITAL



**JULIE JOCSAK** QMI Agency Niagara  
Pauline Bain from Port Colborne was transferred from the Welland hospital to the new St. Catharines hospital on Sunday morning. With her is Kathy Hume, clinical manager of nephrology medicine.

## Patient enjoys look of the new facility

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Among the patients moved into the new facility was Pauline Bain, a kidney patient from Port Colborne.

"I went to the Welland ER on Wednesday and was admitted. I had no idea I would be coming here to the new hospital," she said excitedly, placing emphasis on the word "new".

"We are out in the boonies in Port Colborne. We knew there was a new hospital, but I never expected I would come here."

Bain said the transfer was unusual, but she handled it well, in part because of local med students who were on

hand to help patients adjust to their new surroundings.

"It was so nice to see the clean hospital and the nice patient job," Bain said, contrasting her new surroundings with the older facility in Welland. "It's much more modern and comfortable here."

The NHS had allowed for the transfer to take as long as 10 hours, but it was completed in about six. At around 1 p.m., the doors to the St. Catharines General were locked and the 143-year-old hospital officially retired.

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Ambulances line up in front of the new hospital as patients were transferred to the St. Catharines site Sunday.

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**JULIE JOCSAK QMI Agency Niagara**  
Ashley McDermott and Stephen Carriere are the proud parents of the first baby, as yet unnamed, born at the new St. Catharines hospital Sunday.

#### ■ NEW HOSPITAL

## Special delivery

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The name of the first child born at the new St. Catharines hospital won't be recorded for posterity. At least, not yet.

At 11:45 a.m. Sunday, the son of Ashley McDermott and Stephen Carriere of Fort Erie came into the world. But his parents weren't sure what to call him yet.

"I need to see what kind of personality he has," McDermott said. "I want to get to know him a little first."

Five years ago, the couple's first son went a full seven days after birth without a name until they found something that suited him. So far now, the newest addition to their family is simply called "Mr. Bear."

Whatever they name him, it might reflect a person who likes to make a grand entrance. The boy was more than a week late being born and waited until the hospital's opening day to make his appearance.

"I was hoping he might be the first baby born here, but I didn't know it would work out," McDermott said. "But it was late in coming, almost as if he was waiting for today."

The baby received a steady stream of visitors throughout the day, mostly NHS staff who wanted to see the first baby of the new hospital.

Being the first baby to be born in the hospital isn't just a historical happenstance for Mr. Bear and his parents. There are some benefits to the distinction.

Dr. Johan Viljoen, the head of obstetrics for the NHS who delivered the boy, gave the family \$500 for a future college fund and arranged for a family photo shoot.

"You have to celebrate these things," Viljoen said afterwards. "We'll get the photos taken in a few weeks and hopefully mount one in here."

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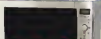
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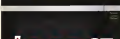
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## ■ EDUCATION

# Fraser rankings get failing grade from school boards

VICTORIA GRAY  
PelhamNews Staff

WELLAND — Niagara Catholic District School Board and District School Board of Niagara are again giving the Fraser Institute's secondary school report cards a failing grade.

Neither board believes the report gives an adequate view of their schools and they refuse to rank schools against each other because every school community is different and succeeds in varying ways.

The Fraser Institute released its annual report cards last Monday. The results are based on standardized Grade 9 math tests and the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test.

DSBN superintendent of student success initiatives Helen McGregor said the report is misleading. "Using one piece of info doesn't indicate the complexity of schools," she said.

Catholic education director John Crocco said learning is a lifelong individual journey, not a race.

"We have confidence in all of our schools, confidence in our administrators — who lead our schools and in our staff who deliver programs and in the services we offer and we have confidence in our students' learning," he said.

In Welland, Notre Dame College School was ranked 331st out of 725 schools rated in Ontario with a 6.4 out of 10 overall score. Welland Central Secondary School was 539th with a 5.1 score. Eastdale Secondary School came

in at 645 with a 3.8 out of 10.

In Port Colborne Lakeshore Catholic High School was 378th on the list and scored a 6.1. Port Colborne High School was 522nd with a 5.2 score.

Pelham's E.L. Crossley came in at 256 with a ranking of 6.8.

The institute says its report card gives parents a tool to use when choosing the best school for their child to attend. McGregor said DSNB instead recommends talking to school principals.

"We encourage that face-to-face connection with a school and educators in that school," she said. "(The report) doesn't indicate the complexity of schools... or the quality of teachers and other intangible benefits schools offer socially and emotionally."

Crocco said the report cards don't evaluate such things as science, social justice, clubs, athletics, the arts or international experiences provided at schools.

"All of our schools are safe and caring places and they are evolving communities," he said. "Most importantly all students succeed no matter where they are located in the system no matter where they live or earning level of their family. The school is an equalizer. The school equalizes their opportunity to succeed."

Both boards receive lengthy reports from the Ministry of Education with information about standardized tests that help them in a variety of ways and both boards continuously evaluate data coming in from schools.

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■ **NIAGARA COLLEGE:** Hundreds visit campus for open house

ALLAN BENNER Staff photo  
Niagara College paramedic students Steve Bennett, left, and Richard Porter, demonstrate their lifesaving skills during the college's open house Saturday.

## Welcoming future students at Niagara

ALLAN BENNER  
QMI Agency Niagara

WELLAND — Niagara College gave future students a taste of campus life on Saturday.

The college's marketing manager Dorita Pentesco said college faculty and students welcomed hundreds of visitors to the annual open house, to show them what the college has to offer.

"People often say, 'I want to know what it's like to go to this school, I want to know what it feels like,'" Pentesco said, adding interactive displays were set up throughout the college as well as faculty and current students were on-hand during the event, to provide information about college programs.

"It's been really busy today at both Niagara-on-the-Lake and Welland campuses," she said. "We've just had people streaming through the doors all day long. We've been really happy with the attendance."

In addition to the prospective students considering whether they will enrol in the college in the fall, Pentesco said people from within the community also attended.

"There are people who want to check out Niagara College because here you can try the wine and the beer, have fond from our restaurant and buy plants from our greenhouse," she said. "It's just great to have the community come on campus and see

what Niagara College has to offer."

The year and a half old Allied Health building attract many of those visitors, eager to see within.

In the four years since the college's rehabilitation program began, placement coordinator Amy Saunders said she's never seen as many visitors during an open house.

With the help of a few students, she demonstrated equipment used to teach the skills needed to help people "function as well as they can, and as independently as they can," Saunders said.

"I would say we've probably had at least 50 people. It's much more than ever before."

First year paramedic student Steve Bennett was manning an impressive display of the lifesaving equipment the students use to learn their profession.

He said the display attracted a lot of attention from potential students considering enrolling in the program.

Bennett said he chose Niagara College because of the good reputation the program has garnered amongst professionals.

He said a few of his neighbours near his home in Waterloo were paramedics, and told him Niagara College was "a really good place to go."

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# sports



Vanessa VanderZalm

■ **LACROSSE:** Pelham's Vanessa VanderZalm playing for Team Canada

## Outstanding in her field

BERND FRANKE  
PelhamNews Staff

Vanessa VanderZalm won't have much of an off-season away from the lacrosse field once she completes her freshman year playing Division 1 for the University of Vermont Catamounts.

Instead of spending all summer catching up with family and friends after nearly a year away from her home in Pelham, the Notre Dame graduate will be representing Team

Canada at the 2013 Women's Lacrosse World Cup taking place July 10-20 in Oshawa.

Canada, which is ranked third in senior women's field lacrosse between the United States and Australia and just ahead of England, is hosting the World Cup for the first time and VanderZalm accepted an invitation to take part without hesitation.

"I am looking forward to the opportunity of playing with some of the top lacrosse players in the world. It's going to be a great experience, especially competing on home turf," the 19-year-old daughter of Arnold and Terry VanderZalm of Pelham said.

She recalled being elated when she received word of her selection.

"When I first found out that I made the team it was an incredible feeling, and it really showed me that hard work pays off."

Her alma mater in Welland likewise was pleased with the latest feather in the cap of an all-around athlete who also was a standout in basketball and hockey for the Fighting Irish.

"We are so happy for Vanessa and what she has accomplished. Our Notre Dame lacrosse team is thrilled to see one of our own achieve so much and now have the honour of representing our country on the world stage. It's fantastic."

VanderZalm, who scored 123 goals and added 71 assists for 194 points in her senior year and recorded 618 points in her career with the Fighting Irish, followed up a silver medal at the Ontario high school girls field lacrosse championships in 2010 by winning gold the following two years.

She's no stranger to international competition. In addition to playing for Notre Dame at the prestigious Midwestern Schoolgirls Lacrosse Association Tournament, VanderZalm was on the Canadian senior women's squad that participated in the North American Challenge Cup last summer.

A physical education major who is attending Vermont on a four-year athletic scholarship, VanderZalm has made an immediate impact in her freshman season with the Catamounts. She has started all eight of the

squad's regular season games and is fourth in scoring with 11 goals and three assists for 14 points.

For VanderZalm, the go-to girl from the attack position on the high-octane Notre Dame offense, the transition from high school to university field lacrosse hasn't been seamless. Her "biggest adjustment was finding my role on the team."

"When you get together with a whole new group of girls, it takes time to find where you can best fit in and will make the biggest impact for the team. So far this season, I am happy with how I am playing but I know I can always get better."

Division 1's faster pace, though also acquiring VanderZalm to make adjustments to her game, wasn't a surprise.

Right now the scoring threat's primary focus is playing without the ball.

"Last year my teams were both very offensively based so incorporating defence into my game has been a main focus."

This is her first time living away from home and VanderZalm admits that getting used to being on her own was "very tough" at first.

"But when I started to make new friends and school and lacrosse became busy, months started to fly by," she wrote in an e-mail from Burlington, Vt., where she is living in residence.

As a result of growing up playing many sports, VanderZalm knew how to juggle academics and athletics long before arriving in Vermont. She is finding the time management demands not that different now that she's in university.

"It hasn't been too tough, but there are times where I have exams with a game the day before. That can be tough when trying to focus on a game while making sure I am studying for the exam as well."

She added a helping hand and a listening ear is never too far away when the going gets a little too tough.

"Here at Vermont everyone on the team is close friends with each other which makes social life come from within the team."

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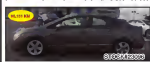
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Home Show is Ready To Roll...

NEWS RELEASE - For Immediate Release

RE: Niagara Lifestyle Home Show - Seymour-Hamish Sportsplex

240 St. Paul St., St. Catharines, March 28 to 30, 2013

The region's #1 Home Show the 28th annual Niagara Lifestyle Home Show is just about ready to roll for another great year! This year the show runs on Easter weekend - Thursday, Good Friday and Saturday but not on Easter Sunday. The show spans two full, site areas and is full of great bargains for your home and lifestyle. The home show dates are March 28, 29, 30 at St. Catharines' Seymour-Hamish Sportsplex at 240 St. Paul St. W. The new multi-million dollar facility has lots of close, free parking, is well lit, their accessibility is close, new and bright and it has a terrific restaurant trade!

Thursday is a very special day for seniors at the Home Show flight from the Grand Opening at 3 p.m. seniors will receive 12% edition exclusive all day Thursday as part of the "Stake To Seniors" day. Minimum charge for seniors a \$250 (coupons and other promotional offers are not valid in conjunction with the seniors discount)

"Last year on the Good Friday we set an all time one day attendance record. It is a great fun, informative and enjoyable outing for the whole family," stated show manager Dave Jenkins of Jenkins Show Productions. To celebrate the 28th anniversary of the Home show in St. Catharines one lucky visitor to the show will win a fantastic electric bike valued at over \$2800, courtesy of GoGreen Ecycle! Other great prizes to be won include a \$500, catered dinner for six in your home courtesy of Goldmedals - plus one of two prizes of a one cubic yard of rich garden mix soil delivered to your home courtesy of Ridgeview Garden Centre. Mark Culbert "Canada's best known gardener" on Saturday 2 p.m. at the home show. Pick up some great tips for getting your garden in shape this spring.

Returning this year is the popular Niagara Food Festival Mobile Culinary Theatre. This amazing kitchen on wheels will feature all kinds of fresh and healthy cooking ideas presented by local chefs!

Returning as a major sponsor of the show is Riallano Home Comfort who will also be exhibiting at the show offering innovative ideas on new high efficiency air conditioners and furnaces. Saving money on our heating/cooling bills and gas bills can be quite significant with new equipment. The Home Show is the place to come and discover everything that is new

# The 26th ANNUAL Lifestyle Home Show

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and exciting for your home for 2013. It spans two huge NHL size risks full of everything imaginable for your home (when you come into the building the show starts the spring in the two risks to the left instead of the two risks on the right) You can check out the latest trends and take advantage of some terrific one-time show specials that can really save you money. All in one convenient location for one weekend only!

The Home Show is very proud to have two official media sponsors again this year - The St. Catharines Standard Newspaper and 105.7 FM - EZ Rock. Local exhibitors have been working hard planning and building their exhibits for this once-a-year annual marion of the Niagara Region's premier home-related time. As well as seeing the cream-of-the-crop of local companies it is also a place to learn, compare and save! You can see and compare quality and workmanship and make an informed buying decision at the show.

The Grand Opening of the Home Show is Thursday, March 28 at 3 p.m. "A lot of home owners prefer to come on Thursday because there's more room to move in the aisles, selection is excellent and exhibitors are fresh because the show has just opened" stated Jenkins.

Watch for the Home Show Strollers Band who invite you to sing along and make requests!

Some of the hundreds of products and services you'll see at the Niagara Lifestyle Home Show include: replacement windows and doors, andropanes, furnaces, air conditioners, roaches, home builders, kitchen and bathroom renovations, garden centres, patio covers, lumber yards, home security systems, a huge discounted artwork display, basement waterproofing, driveways, outdoor lighting, adjustable beds, Petco Pet Care Clinic, direct to home groceries, seniors resources, loan insurance, enclitronics, moving options, rewiring, real estate, decks, fencing, gazebos, maintaining walls, cutting, City of St. Catharines building department and City services, lawn services, Gogeco, spa, upholstery, cookware, resorts, built-in refilling, custom carpentry, flooring, door screens, sunrooms and columns, bottled water, air filtration, paintless, upholstery, direct buy, garage doors, siding, skylights, window coverings, water filtration, bathroom accessories, fireplace, chandeliers, parking, RV/ETV service, resorts, and some terrific demonstration products.

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Show hours are Thursday March 28, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., Good Friday March 29 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday March 30, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. General admission is \$5. admission for youths 13 to 18 is \$2 and children 12 and under are admitted free when accompanied by an adult. Seniors are 1/2 price on Thursday only.

There is more than ever to do at this year's Niagara Lifestyle Home Show - listen to the strolling band, compare prices from the many exhibitors and book your services before these companies get booked for the season.

A limited amount of exhibitor space is still available. Information about becoming an exhibitor in the Home Show is available by contacting Sharon or Dave of Jenkins Show Productions at 1-800-465-1073. Stop by at the Niagara Region's number one Home Show event - March 28, 29, 30 the 28th annual Niagara Lifestyle Home Show - St. Catharines! Discount coupon available at [www.homeshow.ca](http://www.homeshow.ca) or check your local newspaper for the 2 for 1 park admission coupon.

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